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## Hilda J. Barbour Elementary PTO NEWSLETTER



Hello! This month's PTO meeting was a huge success! Thanks to all those who were able to attend. A very special THANK YOU goes to Mr. Grant for presenting some great ways to stay safe on the internet. This month we will be taking advantage of Fire Safety Month by having a fire safety meeting with Warren County Fire and Rescue. This meeting will be in the HJB Cafeteria on October 15th at 7:00pm and will be for BOTH parents and children. Please plan to attend and learn some positive ways to prevent fire accidents from occurring in your homes. Refreshments will be provided as well as activities for your children!

-- Melissa Bitter, President

Remember to ALWAYS keep our theme in mind and GO GREEN!



### 2009-2010 PTO Executive Board Contact Information

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### OCTOBER EVENTS

October 7: Fall Fundraiser Launch!

October 15: PTO Public Meeting  
and Fire Safety Meeting

October 20: Movie Day—Where  
The Wild Things Are

October 21: Picture Day!

October 23: Fall Fundraiser End

October 24: FALL FESTIVAL!!!  
5:00—8:00PM at HJB



## FALL FESTIVAL TIME IS HERE!!!

The Fall Festival is a night of GREAT fun for the whole family! There will be lots of games, inflatables, food, and face painting! There will also be a bake sale, raffle and SO MUCH MORE!

Plan on joining us RAIN OR SHINE for an evening that you'll be talking about for quite some time!

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS EVENT ARE STILL AVAILABLE!**

The more help we have, the better the experience for everyone. Please be sure to fill out the volunteer form that is attached and you will be contacted! Thank you to everyone who has already signed up!

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALICIA TURNER FROM MRS. EBERSOLD'S CLASS  
ON WINNING THE SUMMER BOX TOPS CONTEST!  
ALICIA AND HER FAMILY TURNED IN 714 BOX TOPS!!!  
THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED!!!**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. BAKER'S FIRST GRADE CLASS AND  
MS. KISNER'S THIRD GRADE CLASS FOR HAVING THE MOST PARENTS  
PRESENT AT OUR SEPTEMBER PUBLIC PTO MEETING!  
The PTO rewarded their efforts with a Pizza Party!**

**MRS. EBERSOLD, MS. MISHLER, AND MS. WERNER'S CLASSES ALL TIED  
FOR HAVING THE SECOND MOST PARENTS PRESENT AT OUR SEPTEMBER  
PUBLIC PTO MEETING!**

The PTO rewarded their efforts with a Popcorn Party!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOURTH GRADE TEACHERS FOR BEING THE  
FIRST GRADE LEVEL TO HAVE 100% TEACHER PTO MEMBERSHIP!  
The PTO rewarded their accomplishment by providing them lunch!**





**2009-2010 Yearbook PRE-SALE!** From October 1, 2009-January 31, 2010 the price will be \$14.00.  
After January 31, 2010, the price will increase to \$16.00.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We **ALWAYS** have room for more Volunteers!

If you think you might be interested in helping out, please be sure to fill out a volunteer form or contact any member of the board.

### 2009-2010 Yearbook Cover Contest

The HJB yearbook cover is "Going Green" and we want you to design it!!!  
All students are eligible AND encouraged to participate. Grab your pencils, crayons, and markers and design a cover relating to the theme, "Go Green". Please include your name AND your teacher's name on the back of an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper and submit your cover design by **October 12, 2009**. Winners will be chosen by HJB teachers and announced October 15, 2009!  
**PARENTS:** Please encourage your children to participate in this contest! The winner will receive a free copy of the yearbook! And remember, **BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!**

### Supporting OUR \$chool!

Remember, **EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!**

Our new Box Tops for Education Contest starts October 1, 2009! The goal this year is to raise 20,000 Box Tops which would earn our school \$2000.00! Each grade level will earn prizes for the most Box Tops earned each month. When the school reaches the goal there's a special prize in store! Goal posters will be posted throughout the school to keep track of our progress. So get all your friends and family clipping those Box Tops! Please note: Expired Box Tops will not be counted.



### Treasurer's Report

MERCHANDISE	QTY.	PROFIT
staff memberships	47	\$235
family memberships	98	\$980
water bottles	65	\$195
cookbooks	7	\$14
day packs	16	\$32
08-09 yearbooks	6	\$96
07-08 yearbooks	2	\$16
old yearbooks	2	\$10
youth t-shirts	17	\$136
adult t-shirts	9	\$90
adult sweatshirts	1	\$16
adult polo shirts	1	\$25
donations	2	\$14
TOTAL		\$1859

Our current balance is \$8975.03.

### Returned Check Fees

When a check is returned to us, we are charged a \$5 processing fee. As a charitable organization, we are thankful for your donation. However, we request that when you are contacted concerning your returned check, that you please pay the original amount as well as the bank fees associated with the transaction.  
Thank you for your understanding.

### SPIRIT WEAR PRICE LIST

T-SHIRT  
(SHORT or LONG SLEEVE, BLUE or GREEN)  
YOUTH \$8 ADULT \$10  
SWEATSHIRT (BLUE or GREEN)  
YOUTH \$12 ADULT \$16  
HOODED SWEATSHIRT (BLUE)  
YOUTH \$18 ADULT \$28  
EMBROIDERED T-SHIRT (LONG SLEEVE, BLUE or GREEN) – ADULT \$10  
POLO SHIRT (SHORT SLEEVE, BLUE)  
ADULT \$25  
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$10  
WATER BOTTLE \$3  
DAY PACK \$2  
COOKBOOK \$2  
2008 - 2009 YEARBOOK \$16  
2007 - 2008 YEARBOOK \$8  
OLDER YEARBOOK \$5  
**SHOW YOUR HJB PRIDE!!!**



# THE FALL FESTIVAL IS COMING!

Saturday, October 24, 5 - 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door PER FAMILY!!!

Get yours today!!!

\* Fun \* Games \* Food \* Raffle Drawing \* Bake Sale \*

WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR THIS TO BE A SUCCESS!

Here are the various ways you can help.



Donate individually wrapped candy or small prizes which will be used to make "treat" bags for all the children who attend.



Make something for the bake sale. Small and individually wrapped items sell well.



Clean out the bookshelves and send in gently used books for the Book Walk.



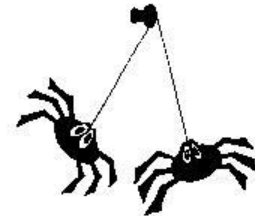
Volunteer to help set up Friday evening, assist during the festival, and/or help clean up.



Donate something or a service for our raffle drawing.



Purchase raffle tickets.



**Please call me! I would like to help with the Fall Festival!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Child's teacher \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help by \_\_\_\_\_